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1. USNATO MAY SUPPORT SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS PROPOSED
BY SYG LUNS (REF A) WITH THE EXCEPTION OF POINT D,
WHICH SHOULD BE DROPPED. AS INDICATED IN REF B,
WE BELIEVE MFA PROFESSIONALS HAVE CONSISTENTLY
MAINTAINED CLOSE AND DISCRETE CONTROLS ON HANDLING
SENSITIVE NATO MATERIALS WITHIN THE MINISTRY AND
THE GOI. THE DANISH PERMREP'S OBSERVATION ON THIS
POINT ARE TRUE, AND WE AGREE WITH YOUR ASSESSMENT

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THAT DROPPING POINT D WILL REDUCE THE CHANCES OF A
NEGATIVE ICELANDIC REACTION. WE ALSO WISH NATO TO
AVOID ACTIONS THAT COULD BE USED BY THE PEOPLES'
ALLIANCE OR OTHER OPPONENTS OF NATO TO INCITE ANTI-
NATO SENTIMENT IN ICELAND.

2. IN AGREING TO THESE ARRANGEMENTS, IT SHOULD BE

UNDERSTOOD THAT THE ALLIES WOULD REVIEW AND POSSIBLY
MODIFY THESE ARRANGEMENTS IF THE SITUATION WITHIN
THE GOI OR THE ICELANDIC DELEGATION WERE TO CHANGE
SIGNIFICANTLY. CHRISTOPHER

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